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UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

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Title: TECHINQUE FOR UTILIZING SPARE BANDWIDTH RESULTING FROM  
THE USE OF A TRANSITION-LIMITING CODE IN A MULTI-LEVEL  
SIGNALING SYSTEM

Pending Prior U.S. Patent Application No.: 10/314,985

Prior Art Unit:

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Sir:

This is a request for filing a continuation-in-part patent application under 37 CFR 1.53(b) of pending prior U.S. Patent Application No. 10/314,985, filed on December 10, 2002, entitled "TECHNIQUE FOR UTILIZING SPARE BANDWIDTH RESULTING FROM THE USE OF A TRANSITION-LIMITING CODE IN A MULTI-LEVEL SIGNALING SYSTEM", the entire disclosure of which is considered a part of the disclosure of the present patent application and is hereby incorporated herein by reference.

1.  66 pages of specification, claims, and abstract are attached.
2.  17 sheets of drawings are attached.
3.  An executed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney is attached.
4.  An Assignment Document along with an Assignment Recordation Form Cover Sheet are attached.
5.  A Preliminary Amendment is attached.

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6. [ ] The present patent application is entitled to small entity status.

7. [ ] A Request and Certification under 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2) is attached.

8. [X] The filing fee is calculated below on the basis of the claims existing in the present patent application, as amended at 6 above (if applicable).

	# of Claims		Extra Claims	Rate	Fee
Total Claims	49	Minus 20	29	x \$18.00	\$ 522.00
Independent Claims	5	Minus 3	2	x \$84.00	\$ 168.00
Basic Application Fee					\$ 750.00
If multiple dependent claims are present, add \$280.00					\$ 0.00
Subtotal					\$ 1440.00
Subtract ½ if Small Entity					\$ 0.00
Total Application Fee					\$ 1440.00
Assignment Recordation Fee					\$ 40.00
TOTAL FEE DUE					\$ 1480.00

9. [ ] Please charge Deposit Account No. 50-0206 in the amount of \$.00 for the above-indicated fees. A duplicate copy of this transmittal is submitted herewith.

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12. [ ] Priority of foreign Application No. \_\_\_\_\_, filed on \_\_\_\_\_, in \_\_\_\_\_, is claimed under 35 USC 119. The certified priority document(s) were filed in U.S. Patent Application No. \_\_\_\_\_, filed on \_\_\_\_\_.

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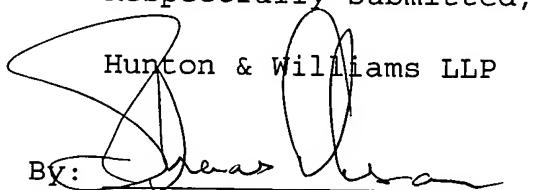
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